1	2	3	4	5	6
15	Surendranagar	Surendranagar	620	620	88
16	Sural	Sural	857	769	
17	Vadodra	Vadodra	906	773	133
18	Valsad	Valsad Navsari	688	613	75
19	Dang	Dang	70	53	17
20		Dadra & Nagar Havcli, Daman	22	21	1
	TOTAL:		13510	1254	965

Out of order public telephones

†1837. DR. A.K. PATEL: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the fact that most of the public telephones installed at public places remain out of order;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether Government porpose to take any steps to improve this service?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR): (a) Sir, the Public Call Offices (PCOs) installed at public are checked on regular basis and normally these PCOs work satifactorily. In case a PCO gets out of order the fault is rectified.

(b) Does not arise in view of (a) above.

(c) To improve the service further, the- following steps are being taken:

(i) Providing more number of attended PCOs through Franchise Scheme.

(ii) Replacement of old type of CCB PCOs by CBT-95.

(iii) Regular Inspections

Telephone on demand in Andhra Pradesh

1838. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH:
DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO:
Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.